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## FAA MEETING ON TRACON SCHEDULED

Officials say 'yes' to Congressional Delegation's request for a public meeting.

WASHINGTON, D.C. - The Idaho Congressional Delegation announced today that the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) will hold a public meeting on the proposal to move the Boise Airport's Terminal Radar Control (TRACON) to Salt Lake City, Utah. The Delegation requested the public meeting.

The Delegation said, "We are concerned that this proposal could jeopardize the future development of Boise's airport and current operations, including wildland firefighting through the National Interagency Fire Center and Air Guard operations at Gowen Field. Having the FAA here to listen to those affected by this proposal is vital, and we appreciate the willingness of FAA to come."

The Boise airport is the largest airport in Idaho with passenger activity surpassing three million passengers in 2005. Compared to the rest of the nation, Boise had a 9.6% increase in passengers over 2004 while the national average was 2.5% over 2004, according the Air Transport Association. Boise's Airport hosts the only TRACON facility in Idaho.

Details of the public meeting are as follows:

July 5<sup>th</sup>, 2006 4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. (MST) Boise Airport Boise River Room

For more information on the meeting, please contact the Boise Airport at (208) 383-3110.